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HOUSE COMMITTEES.

They are Announced by Speaker Crisp at Last,

AND DO VIOLENCE TO ALL PRECEDENT.

The Ways and Means Committee, Especially Shaken Up—Mr. Springer Secures the Chairmanship Generally Conceded to Mills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The prediction that Speaker Crisp, in the make-up of his committees, would do violence to the rule of precedence as established by years of practice, was verified by the list as announced yesterday. In the first committee, elections, the rule is observed. Representative O'Ferrall, who was second in the minority to Crisp himself in the last congress, goes to the head. Nils Haughen, of Wisconsin, is the first minority member, being the first among survivors on that side.

The committee on ways and means is badly shaken up, as was expected. Mr. Springer, who has not heretofore been connected with the committee at all, is chairman, and Mr. McMillin holds second place, his relative position on the minority last congress. Mr. Turner is retained, but the other members of the minority — Wilson, Montgomery, Whiting, Shively, Stevens, Cochran and Bryan are all new men. Messrs. Reed, Burrows, McKenny and Payne have served before and Dalzell takes Bayne's place. Mr. Dingley is transferred to the committee on appropriations.

Instead of promoting Mr. Forney, who headed the minority in the last congress, Speaker Crisp has made Mr. Holman chairman of the committee on appropriations, with Mr. Forney second. All other democratic members are retained and C. R. Breckinridge, Compton and O'Neill of Massachusetts, added. Livingston represents the alliance membership. The new republican members are Bingham, Dingley and Grout. Belden has been dropped.

Mr. Outhwaite, of Ohio, is a notable example of the appointment of a chairman from outside the old membership of the committee. He is placed at the head of military affairs, and loses his place on the elections committee. G. N. Wheeler, of Alabama, the ranking member of the old committee, is second.

David B. Culberson, of Texas, goes to the head of the judiciary, being the ranking member of the old minority, while ex-Chairman E. B. Taylor, of Ohio, heads the minority this year. Mr. Oates, of Alabama, is second, and Bynum, of Indiana, third. This is the best place Bynum gets. Had Mills been elected speaker he would probably have been chairman of ways and means.

Henry Bacon, of New York, a new man, gets the chairmanship of the important committee on banking and currency, instead of Covert, of New York, who did not vote for Crisp.

Coinage, weights and measures, as was expected, will be presided over by Richard P. Bland, and the membership of the committee indicates a tender treatment of the free coinage of silver that the committee of last congress did not show.

Mr. Mills is at the head of the new committee on interstate and foreign commerce. Charles L. Baker, of New York, was chairman of the committee on commerce, its precedessor in the last congress.

AN OMINOUS SILENCE

Maintained in Official Circles Respecting the News From Chili.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—An ominous silence is maintained in official circles respecting the news from Chili. It is everywhere conceded that important dispatches have been received from Minister Egan, but it is impossible to learn their contents, so close-mouthed are the officials who are in a position to know what they are. Chili's provisional government which still has control of affairs and is responsible for the events leading up to the political condition of things, has an existence limited to only about ten days longer, and it is not believed that this government, unless forced by extraordinary events not now foreseen or anticipated, will precipitate a crisis with it.

Nothing has recently been received from Valparaiso, it may confidently be asserted, indicating any worse treatment or more insulting demeanor than the United States representative and those under his protection have already previously received and which has been made public.

The administration, while not disposed to rush matters, in view of the speedy change, is closely watching the progress of events and making preparations to promptly meet any emergency which may arise. When the new cabinet is announced there may be a foreign minister who will pursue a different policy from that of the present minister and with whom a satisfactory settlement may be made without resort to unpleasant measures. But it is only fair to say that not much hope exists that the new government will be any more pacifically inclined that the present one. On the other hand, the feeling prevails that Chili is inclined to be fractious, and that it will be necessary for the United States to administer forcible rebuke.

THE FAMINE IN RUSSIA.

An Important Letter from Charles Emery Smith.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Clara Barton, president of the National Association of the Red Cross of America, having been tendered donations of grain and money in connection with the matter will be transacted.

The following correspondence touching the famine in Russia is made public by the state department:

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES, ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 5, 1891.

HON. JAMES G. BLAINE, SECRETARY OF STATE —*Sir:* A rescript of the emperor has just appeared constituting a special committee, under the presidency of the czarowitz, charged with the general distribution of the work of relief for the sufferers in the province afflicted by the famine. This committee is composed, besides the heir to the throne, of Gen. de Kaufman, Privy Councilor Bobedonostoff, Minister of Domaine Ostrovsky, Minister of the Interior Durnovo, Count Verontsoff-Dashkoff, Count Strovonaff and Privy Councilor Plosw.

It is understood that this committee will associate with itself experts like Gen. Annenkoff, who is specially skilled in the field of transportation and in the work of construction. Its object is to give unity to the measures of relief; to direct the offerings of private benevolence in the most effective channels; to remedy any defects of administration and to provide work as far as may be to those in need of employment. It is expected also that the committee will address itself to the consideration of such measures as may be feasible for distributing the surplus grain which is accumulated in some parts of the empire as stated in my No. 130. The creation of a special committee of this high character, with the heir to the throne at its head, indicates the gravity of the problem, which is presented by the short crop, and the earnest spirit with which the emperor and his government meet it. It is hoped that this organization will diminish the difficulties in dealing with the emergency. I have, etc.,

(Signed.) CHARLES EMORY SMITH.

A Vacancy That Will Not be Filled.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The vacancy on the senate committee on appropriations caused by the death of senator Plumb will not be filled. It will be remembered that the republican senatorial caucus committee recently added Senator Stewart's name to the appropriations committee in order that certain transfers might be accomplished. The committee having returned, by Senator Plum's death, to the original number will be so allowed to remain.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Pursuant to the adjournment motion of Saturday, the house met at 12 o'clock. As that motion provided for no other business than the reading of the speaker's list of committee assignments that was the only business transacted.

The announcement of the committees was received without comment.

Mr. Rush offered the usual resolution providing for the assignments of clerks to the committees for this congress by the committee on accounts.

Under the arrangement made last Saturday, Mr. Stone, of Kentucky, objected to its consideration at the present time.

Mr. Meredith announced the death of his predecessor, Gen. W. H. Fice, and upon the customary resolution the house, at 12:37, adjourned till January 5.

SENATE.

Senator Manderson, president pro tem., presided in the absence of the vice-president.

Reports of committees being called for Mr. Fryo, chairman of the committee on commerce, reported back the bill prohibiting monopoly in the transportation of meat products, and asked that it be referred to special committee on that subject. It was so ordered.

Mr. Morgan, from the committee on foreign affairs, reported a resolution for the re-printing of 15,000 copies of the report on the Nicaragua canal project had before the senate in the last congress—10,000 copies to be for the use of the house and 5,000 copies for the senate. Referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Sherman remarked that he had a bill he desired to introduce on this subject and he desired the resolution just offered to be considered in connection with this bill. He sent to the clerk's desk the bill of last session amending the act of February 20, 1889, incorporating the Nicaragua Canal Co., by providing for a guarantee of the bonds of the company by the United States under certain conditions. The bill as re-introduced was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

A number of other bills were presented.

On motion of Mr. Dolph the senate passed a resolution calling upon the secretary of agriculture for information as to the progress of the artesian and overflow irrigation inquiry, and as to when a formal report might be expected.

The president pro tem. laid before the senate two communications from the president. One transmitted the report of the board appointed to consider the location, arrangements and operations of electric wires in the District of Columbia to which he invited the attention of congress. The other conveyed information as to the organization of the board to regulate geographic names, and transmitted a copy of their findings as to the proper spelling of "Behring Sea" instead of "Bolring Sea" "Chile" instead of "Chili," etc., and other spelling reforms, accompanied by an executive order requiring the different departments of the government to adopt this orthography. The president suggested that this report be printed in some convenient form for general information. Referred to the committee on printing.

The senate, at 12:30, went into executive session on the motion of Senator Sherman, and at 12:40 adjourned until Wednesday, January 6.

PEDESTRIANISM.

The Six-Days Go-As-You-Please—The Score.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—The score in the six-days go-as-you-please walking match at the Natatorium stood as follows at 2 a. m., even miles:

THE SCORE.

Herty	176	Fox	190
Moore	184	Glick	179
Hegeman	198	Campana	177
Cartright	220	Taylor	134
Hart	206	Palmer	134
Guerrero	197		

A Bloody Mystery.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 24.—A mystery is connected with the appearance of a freight car which runs between Manchester and Portsmouth and which arrived yesterday morning. The outside of the car near the door is spattered with blood and inside the car were found two large pools of blood and a handkerchief and a man's hat, covered with blood stains and a piece of pipe with blood stains on it. The police have the matter in charge.

Safe-Blowers at Work.

EATON, O., Dec. 24.—Great excitement prevails here because of the discovery that a gang of safe-blowers visited the town Tuesday night and went through four safes. The amount taken is not reported. The safes of Musselman's grain house, John Gilek's tobacco house, and Cotterman and Bonners, millers, were blown open.

It is remarked that Helen Gladstone is noted as a punster. It confirms the idea that a Gladstone gathers no sorrow.

WILL DIE IN HARNESS

Critical Condition of the Aged Pope's Health.

THE FACTS CAREFULLY CONCEALED

From the Public—His Death, When It Occurs, Likely to Be Kept a Close Secret for Some Time.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Lancet's correspondent at Rome, who has on a number of former occasions given information regarding the pope's health which subsequently proved to be absolutely correct, telegraphed yesterday confirming a rumor which has heretofore been treated as doubtful, that his holiness was seized with a fainting fit after presiding at the last consistory. It was thought for a time, the correspondent states, that death had supervened, but the efforts of the physicians attached to the vatican, who were hastily summoned, sufficed to restore animation, and the sufferer rallied, though his condition remained critical for several hours. The fact that the pope had fainted was kept a profound secret at the time, in compliance with a standing order strictly imposed upon the personnel of the vatican, according to which, even in the event of the pope's death, the fact is not to be divulged until the cardinals present in Rome at the time have completed certain acts preliminary to the conclave which is to choose the new pontiff. These acts are prescribed by a secret bulletin lately issued by the pope, and their exact nature is not known. Outside of the pope's having collapsed on the occasion referred gaining currency, it was impossible to obtain any confirmation of the story at the vatican; and for the same reason the world will not learn authoritatively of the pope's death until some time after the event. Few believe that his holiness can survive much longer. The chronic intestinal catarrh, from which he has long suffered, is prone to take an acute turn during such severely cold weather as that which is now prevalent, while the senile anæmia, which causes the doctors greater anxiety than any other symptom, is always more pronounced after the aged pontiff has undergone unusual exertion, as in the case of the consistory. This being the case Saturday next is looked forward to with great apprehension in view of the fact that his holiness will again, on that day, be subjected to a strain which, in his enfeebled condition, he is not fit to bear. Despite the protests of his physicians and confidential associates, he has promised to assist actively at the ceremonies attendant upon the unveiling of the monument to Innocent III., and to receive the numerous bishops who will visit Rome on that occasion. Fifty of these guests have already arrived. The monument, which stands in the Basilica of St. John Lateran, has been erected at the pope's personal expense, the outlay being half a million francs. In reply to the appeals which are made to abandon his intention, the pope simply says: "I am in the hands of the Lord."

The doctors complain that his holiness is always enlarging his field of work, instead of confining his labors to absolutely routine matters, as he ought to do in order to conserve his strength. One instance of this tendency was furnished by his undertaking personally the arduous correspondence and series of interviews involved in organizing the foreign hierarchy for the purpose of holding a council of bishops of all countries every year, at which the temporal and spiritual welfare of the various peoples may be considered from the view point of the church universal. The only way to account for the pope's persistent disregard of medical advice on these subjects is to assume that he regards his course as nearly run, and is resolved to literally die in the harness, occupied to the last moment in zealous exercise of such faculties as are vouchsafed him.

WATTERSON TALKS.

The Selection of Mr. Springer for Chairman of Ways and Means Not a Happy One.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.—Mr. Watterson says editorially, in the Courier-Journal, in regard to Speaker Crisp's selection of committees:

Naturally, the reconstruction of the ways and means committee monopolizes public attention and interest. The selection of Mr. Springer for chairman would not be a happy one, if there were nothing back of it. But with the incidents of the caucus fresh in the minds of the people, it is positively unfortunate, exposing both the speaker and the chairman to whatever the ill-disposed see fit to say about them, and thus giving the cause of tariff reform a black eye on the threshold of a presidential campaign.

Of the possible bearing on national affairs outside of congress, Mr. Watterson says:

We shall not believe until we know more than we now know that this reconstruction of the ways and means committee has been made with the purpose to belittle and subordinate the great cause of tariff reform by entrusting it to inexperienced or inferior hands. We have thus far relied upon the assurances of Mr. Crisp on that point. But if it it should turn out that these have been carefully framed to mislead, and that the extraordinary disclosures of the current week point, as have been so often intimidated, to a deal of the regulation New York pattern between the new speaker and his immediate backers, and Mr. Hill and his immediate backers, by which democratic principles are to be sacrificed to a congressional and presidential bargain, then, indeed, will the hosts of democracy rise in their might and in their wrath scatter those impious despoilers of truth and justice, like a herd of cattle. Mr. Crisp should from this time forward keep before his eyes the awful spectre of Kiefer, and if he has any hope of a prosperous or an honorable future should steer clear of New York brokers.

The troubles that trouble us the most are the troubles that never happen.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Ex-Postmaster-General J. A. J. Crosswell died suddenly at Elkton, Md., yesterday.

—The Salisbury (Mo.) tobacco factory was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Loss, $30,000; insurance, $20,000.

—A dispatch to the London Times from its correspondent at Santiago de Chile says that Gen. Campo, with a force of 350 men, has attacked the town of Santa Victoria in the province of Rio Grande do Sul.

—William S. Parsons, an old and well-known marketman, and August Boning, were both found dead at their respective residences in Philadelphia, yesterday, their death being caused by illuminating gas.

—The body of Mrs. Bettie Simmons was found in a dense wood, near Cuba station, Ala., almost entirely eaten by birds of prey. Her husband was arrested and confessed that he killed her because she was unfaithful.

—William H. King, United States commissioner, was found dead in his room at the Continental hotel in New York, Tuesday afternoon. Mr. King was a lawyer, and was about 50 years of age. His family live at East Chatham, N. Y.

—The White Plains (N. Y.) jury investigating the condition of E. M. Field, after a consultation of fifteen minutes, yesterday, brought in a verdict that he was insane. The jury also found that the personal estate of Mr. Field was valued at $15,000.

—The remains of Senator Plumb arrived at Topeka at 2 p. m., yesterday, and were escorted from the depot to the capitol with all proper ceremony. The public schools were adjourned immediately after the opening exercises out of respect to the memory of Senator Plumb.

—The president has removed from office Collector of Internal Revenue Warmcastle of Pittsburgh, Pa., and placed the office in charge of Mr. Mitchell, the chief deputy. The treasury department refuses to disclose the nature of the charges against Mr. Warmcastle, but they are though to be neglect of duty.

—The six-story brick building 85 to 89 Chili street, New York, owned and occupied by J. Chatillion & Sons, manufacturers of scales and butchers' tools, was completely gutted by fire at 8:30 a. m. yesterday. The loss on building, machinery and stock will aggregate $200,000, most of which is covered by insurance.

—Assistant General Manager Pierce of the National tube works of McKeesport, Pa., denies the report that his company will move to Chicago or Hammond. As their plant cost $11,000,000, occupies 160 acres and employs 9,000 men, the absurdity of the report is apparent. Mr. Pierce thinks real-estate boomers started the report.

—Minister of Foreign Affairs Matta of Chili has sent a reply to the letter of the Argentine minister, Senor Urriburu, in regard to the Chilian police espionage upon the American legation. Senor Matta promises to withdraw the detectives from the neighborhood of Minister Egan's house, but says that he will continue to maintain the uniformed police around the legation.

ALL TORN UP.

The State of Kansas Without a Capable Leader in Washington.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 23.—"Our state is all torn up," said Hon. Bailey P. Waggoner, of Atchison, Kan., to a United Press reporter to-day. "The death of Senator Plumb was a fearfuly unfortunate thing. He stood nearer the people than any other man in public office in our state. His death leaves us with an inexperienced delegation in congress and not one of them capable of carrying forward the work that ought to be done by the representatives of our state in the national body."

"Whom will the governor be likely to appoint to fill the vacancy?"

"There is pretty strong talk of George T. Anthony. The strings are being pulled in that direction. There is also talk of ex-Senator Ingalls being appointed. Looking at it from a purely political standpoint, I should say it would be proper politics on the part of a republican governor to appoint ex-Senator Ingalls. He would have only one year to serve before the legislature would elect a successor, but he would cut a wide swath just now as senator from Kansas. He would be the head and front of the Kansas delegation beyond the possible question of a doubt in all important matters, and the state patronage would simply be slid into his pocket. As a means of getting even with those who went back on the republican party, this is the opportunity of a lifetime, but the appointment of Ingalls would create a terrific uproar."

A Burning Hotel Wrecked by Dynamite.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 24.—The Lafayette house, a frame hotel in this city, was badly wrecked by dynamite at an early hour yesterday morning. The building was discovered to be on fire, and soon after the arrival of the fire department two dynamite bombs exploded in quick succession in one end of it. The entire front was blown out, and the house was otherwise badly demolished. The four persons who were sleeping in the hotel had been aroused by the fire alarm and escaped injury. Several firemen narrowly escaped death. It is supposed the bombs were placed in the house and the structure set on fire by an enemy of the hotel keeper.

Explosion at a Fire.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 24.—The large warehouse of the hardware establishment of Baker & Hamilton was destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. Loss on stock estimated at from $65,000 to $70,000; covered by $50,000 insurance. The stock in the main store was slightly damaged by smoke and water. Four tons of metallic rifle cartridges exploded. Two firemen were blown from a ladder, fifteen feet from the door, but not seriously injured.

Free Flour for Starving Russian Peasants.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 14.—M. D. Reynolds, of Lansing, secretary of the Michigan State Millers' association is soliciting flour from Michigan millers for the starving peasants of Russia. Although the work has barely been started, the state millers have already contributed 50,000 pounds of flour. The Russian government pays freight on all flour from the mill doors and will have special ships to carry the flour across the ocean.

Burned to Death.

JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 24.—Mrs. H. B. Stevens, of Chicago, was burned to death, yesterday, in the house of her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Rullue, whom she was visiting, by the igniting of gasoline with which she was cleaning dress fabrics. There was no fire in the room where she was cleaning the goods and how the liquid became ignited can not be explained. Before she could receive assistance every bit of her clothing except her corset was burned from her body.

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. to-day, received by B. Z. Taylor, Secretary Decatur Grain Company:

GRAIN—Car lots—
LIVE STOCK—Estimated receipts—
Hogs—35,000; steady.
Cattle—7,000; strong.
Wheat 181; Corn 260; Oats 142.

	DEC.	JAN.	MAY.
WHEAT	$ .90⅞	$ .91⅜	$ .96⅞
CORN	.41⅛	.41⅞	.42⅛
OATS	.32¼	—	.32⅜

	JAN.	MAY.
PORK	10.37	11.95
LARD	6.05	6.40
RIBS	5.22½	5.60

BLOWN ALL TO ATOMS

A French Lugger-Rigged, Dynamite-Laden Vessel

AND HER ENTIRE CREW ANNIHILATED.

Shattered Legs, Arms, Hands and Feet, Heads and Other Portions of Human Bodies Scattered About on All Sides.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Antwerp says that a French vessel loaded with dynamite and lying alongside a quay at that port was blown to atoms yesterday by an explosion of her cargo. Her entire crew and a number of laborers, employed on board the ship referred to, and others who were loitering or working upon the quay were killed. Fragments of the ship, intermixed with human remains were scattered here and there about the scene of the explosion. Shattered legs, arms, hands and feet, heads and other portions of human bodies were scattered about on all sides and were gathered up in barrows by police and workmen sent to the spot by the municipal authorities.

The horrors of the scene can hardly be described. The neighboring wharves were strewn with debris, besmeared with blood and mixed with pieces of human flesh. The exact number of killed will never be known, for the explosion must have killed many strangers aboard the ship and about the quay where the shattered vessel was moored.

The force of the explosion was so great that the whole neighborhood seemed to rock and tremble. Every window within the sweep of the concussion was shattered; doors were blown in and crushed as if by battering rams. People at a considerable distance from the quay where the ship blew up were swept off their feet and hurled, bruised and bleeding, for yards. Many are so severely injured that they can not recover from their injuries; many others are badly cut by broken glass and by falling pieces of wreckage.

The vessel destroyed was a large "lugger" or two-masted vessel peculiar to the French coast. Her name was Le Pilote.

The official estimate has it that eighteen people were killed and thirty wounded by the explosion.

It is added, however, that this estimate is formed by calculating the number composing the crew of Le Pilote and a number of dock men employed about the vessel. It does not make allowance for strangers near the scene of the explosion who undoubtedly were killed when Le Pilote blew up. It is certain however, that the exact number of killed will never be known as some of the bodies were literally blown to pieces.

MRS. COLESON, Chicago's leading shorthand teacher, is having unusual success in securing positions for her pupils within 14 weeks' time. The World's Fair city is the place to get positions in shorthand Several of Mrs. Coleson's pupils are employed by the Columbian exposition at splendid salaries. For terms address Mrs. Coleson, McVicker's Theatre Building. dec3-dtf

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TAFFY, our own make, fresh every day, at Wood's. dec10-d&w

Bob Ingersoll.

Some months ago it was announced that Bob Ingersoll was broken down with some malady of the throat, and that he would never be able to speak in public again. This was the dictum of one set of doctors, but another set who examined his throat pronounced the trouble to be a small warty excressence which was removed, and Bob's throat was as well as it ever was. About half of the so-called bronchial troubles come from some trifling cause which, if attended to, can be cured, but if harshly dealt with by gargles and the like, tend to inflame the tissues and make the trouble chronic. Most of the moladies can be cured by using Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure. It is unequaled for its instantaneous action upon the throat. It cures the severest cold, and heals all lung troubles, asthma, catarrh and maladies of that sort. For sale by all druggists.

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Tableau II—Illuminated Garden at Bel-Aire.
Tableau III—Private Office of the Minister of Police.
Tableau IV—The Place of St. Sulpice.
Tableau V—Henriette's Chamber.
Tableau VI—Court yard of the Prison La Salpetriere.
Tableau VII—Boat House on the Banks of the River Seine.

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00

The sale of seats will begin Saturday morning, Dec. 26, at the Grand Opera House Pharmacy.

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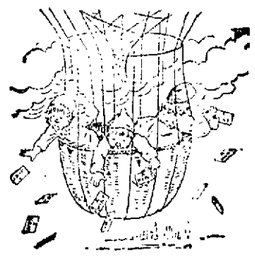

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❋THIS WEEK WE OFFER❋

Our entire stock of Fancy Fans at 25 per cent. less than regular prices. The stock is one of the largest in the State, embracing every conceivable kind of fans made. Japanese Paper, Japanese Silk, Sandal Wood, Gauze Silk, Satin, plain and painted; Ostrich Feather Fans with Carved Wood, Bone, Ivory, Tortoise and Celluloid Handles.

✦KID GLOVE SALE.✦

4-Button Real Kid Gloves, ... 75c
5-Hook Genuine Foster Kid Glove, ... $1.00
8-Button Length Suede Mousquetaire Gloves, Fine 1.00
Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves, fine top, ... 1.25
Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves, fine top, 75c & 1.00
Men's Lined Kid Gloves and Mittens, ... 1.25
Suede Mousquetaire Kid Gloves, 8, 12, 16, 20, 30 Buttons Length, in all the evening shades.

A full line of the Celebrated Jouvin Kid Gloves for Ladies, Misses and Gentlemen. Every pair fitted to the hand and warranted.

CORNER OF Water and William sts — Bradley Bros. Dry Goods & Millinery Decatur Ill.

Agents Jouvin Kid Gloves and Hemingway Silks.

HOW'S YOUR POCKET-BOOK?

We have added to our stock this Fall
a Large and Select Variety of

Pocket-Books, Card-Cases, ❋
❋ Cigar and Cigarette Cases,

IN ALL THE NEW AND POPULAR LEATHERS.

These goods are made up plain and with SOLID SILVER TRIMMINGS. All are Fresh New Goods.

In order to introduce this line we will make prices on them about ONE-HALF what you have been paying for similar goods.

W. R. ABBOTT & Co.

THE CITY BOOK STORE

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Headquarters

—FOR—

HOLIDAY ❋ GOODS.

To See is to Believe.

J. H. BEVANS,

122 Merchant St., Decatur, Ill.

Christmas Cutlery

Pocket Cutlery,
Table Cutlery,
Kitchen Cutlery,
Pantry Cutlery,
Barn Cutlery,

—FOR—

❋ CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR ❋

And All the Year.

LYTLE & ECKELS HARDWARE Co.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

WEDNESDAY DEC. 30.

AGNES WALLACE VILLARS,

Supported by a Strong Company.

IN THE ENGLISH AND AMERICAN SUCCESS

The World Against Her.

BY FRANK B. HARVEY.

— AUTHOR OF —

"THE WAGES OF SIN," "WOMAN AGAINST WOMAN," "RING OF IRON," ETC., ETC.

PRICES----25, 50 and 75 Cents.

The sale of seats will begin Monday evening, December 28, at the Grand Opera House Pharmacy.

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Dated this 26th day of November, A. D. 1891.

L. F. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

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Executor's Notice.

Estate of Adam Bantner, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Executor of the estate of Adam Bantner, Sr., late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1891.

FREDERICK BANTNER, Executor.

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DAILY REPUBLICAN.

R. K. HAMSHER. | W. F. CALHOUN.

HAMSHER & CALHOUN, Prop'rs

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Entered at the Post Office at Decatur, Illinois, as second class mail matter.

THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 24, 1891.

NINE out of thirteen of the members of the committee on Coinage Weights and measures are in favor of the free coinage of silver. The condition which confronts the Democratic party now is: "How are we going to retire the silver question?"

THE Chicago *Times*, now managed by Carter H. Harrison, says that Hon. W. R. Morrison is "a dead cock in the pit." We cannot understand how Mr. Carter Harrison arrives at this conclusion. The last we heard of Morrison was that he is drawing a good salary from the Government.

ROGER Q. MILLS has been made chairman of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. This is an appropriate appointment, as Mr. Mills has become quite a noted mariner by his recent experience on Salt River. With this advantage he can organize the proper kind of a fleet for the use of the Democratic free-trade crew next November. Commodore Mills will be a useful man in his present position.

IT has been reported to the postoffice department that the postmaster at Baird, Callahan county, Texas, has kept a Confederate flag floating over his office. This is a Republican administration and the postmasters are generally Republicans but does any man believe the postmaster who floats that flag is a Republican? There will be no controversy on this line. It does not even admit of a perhaps.

JUDGE LORIN C. COLLINS, of Chicago, has held the Alien Land Law, passed by the Illinois Legislature in 1887, unconstitutional, and added by way of comment in giving his opinion that he thought the law a piece of foolishness, and that the Legislature had gone mad when they passed it. But then, this is the same Lorin C. Collins who, basing his opinion on a dispatch he once got from James G. Blaine, touching the matter, gave out, as his opinion, that Speaker Reed would have to recede from the position that members present but not voting should be counted to show a quorum.

Springer the Reformer.

Speaker Crisp has announced the standing committees of the House, and as has been foretold, William M. Springer has been made chairman of the committee on Ways and Means. Mills, who at the first was granted a walk-away on the Speakership, but who was handsomely defeated, and who, after that defeat, it was expected, might be at the head of Way and Means, has been left. Springer thus becomes the head of Democratic tariff reform, whatever that may mean. Mr. Springer will naturally be regarded as the proper person to swing the great Northwest, the agricultural section of the Union, into the tariff reform columns. To say that Springer has a larger contract on his hands is, in the light of past events, but to tell the truth. Mr. Mills has done time on the same job. He has taught the doctrine that by nature Great Britain is the manufacturing country of the world and by nature *this great Republic is the farming* country of the world and that until the barrier of protection is torn down these countries cannot enjoy this natural privilege; in other words, that the 62,000,000 people in the United States cannot become farmers to feed the 30,000,000 people of Great Britain and on the other hand the 30,000,000 people of Great Britain do the manufacturing for the farmers of the United States.

But Mills, as the result of all his toil has been given his time, and Springer has been put on the job. There is this difference between the two men as employees: Mills worked by the day, Sundays included, all the year round. He never complained when he put in more more than eight hours a day and never charged for overtime. Springer it seems got into Mills' shoes on the promise that he would work by the piece. This he is expected to do and when he takes a lay off, *which he is liable to do, his time will* not go on. Springer proposes to establish tariff reform by pieces. He proposes to frame a series of little bills thereby attacking certain products now protected and if he fails at one point to attack another in the hope of discovering some vulnerable spot in the protective tariff system.

But he, like Mills, in due time, when his plan has become obnoxious and threatens to lose the Democratic party votes, will be retired and some other great Democratic statesman will be put on the job. The tariff seems to be a tax on Democratic statesmen.

On the Retreat.

A year ago when the free trade liar had everything his own way any one who might have predicted that in less than a year from that time the Democratic party would be devoting all its spare time devising means to deceive the people into a belief that it was not opposed to the principle of protection, would have been considered foolish to have done so. And yet precisely this is now taking place. The Democratic party has gone so far in this direction that it has actually sacrificed Roger Q. Mills to accomplish its purpose. Touching this matter the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* says:

It is evident that the element of the Democratic party represented by Speaker Crisp is resolved to silence Mr. Mills on the tariff question, and place him in a position where he will have none of the functions of leadership. There was a time when he was *overwhelmed* with praise and gratitude for his services as a champion of free trade. His tariff bill won the most enthusiastic applause, and was incorporated into the Democratic platform as a new revelation of political wisdom. Nothing was too good for Mills at that time. He was promised everything in sight, and it looked as if he had before him a future of unprecedented felicity. That was less than four years ago, and to-day his party treats him as a burden and a peril, and is chiefly solicitous to prevent him from taking a prominent part in the control and direction of its affairs. It is not content with having beaten him for Speaker, but proposes also to keep him out of his old place at the head of the Ways and Means Committee, and to advertise to other offensive ways the fact that he has been repudiated. In short, he is to be effectually muzzled, because he has been too candid and too courageous as a tariff reformer.

THE BALKAN PROBLEM.

The Dissolution of the Roumanian Chamber a Victory for Russian Intrigue.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—The dissolution of the Roumanian chamber is considered a victory for Russian intrigue. The Russians have been laboring with unusual earnestness of late to secure a predominant influence in Roumania. It is said in Vienna that Russia is only waiting to be sure of Roumania's neutrality or co-operation to attack Bulgaria. The recent attempt to drive King Charles into abdication is attributed to Russian influence, the Russians being jealous of the presence of a German and especially a Hohenzollern, on the throne of the leading Balkan state.

King Charles and his ministers have shown a stubborn determination to prevent Russians from violating Roumanian territory, and the Russian maneuvers on the Pruth have not only been vigilantly watched, but also reported throughout Europe to the great chagrin of the Russians, who want secrecy for their military operations. This has made Russian agents the more active in their plots against King Charles and his advisers, and the dissolution of the chamber is the result. The elections to be held in February will be a test of the strength of Russian influence, and are expected to have an important bearing on the Balkan problem.

A Sensation Promised.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The Saale Zietung, of Halle, promises to soon publish a communication throwing a startling light upon Nobiling's attempt to assassinate the late Emperor William in June, 1878. The Zietung's Berlin reporter was a former pensioner of Bismarck's famous "Reptile fund," and he still retains an intimacy with Count Herbert Bismarck. It is therefore surmised that the Zeitung's sensational announcement will emanate directly from Bismarckian sources, and its appearance is awaited with a good deal of curiosity.

Minister Lincoln Has Not Resigned.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—It would seem from the nature of various cablegrams which have been pouring in upon the American legation, that a rumor is current in the United States that Minister Lincoln has resigned, or is about to do so. Your correspondent is authorized to deny the truth of such rumors, and similar denials are being sent in reply to all inquiries received at the legation.

Rebeled Against French Authority.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Algiers says that the Ameurs tribe has rebeled against the authority of the French, and that there has been fighting in Ain-Sefra, a village 150 miles southwest of Oran, the capital of the province of that name.

Fleeing From the Plague.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Dispatches received from Rio Janeiro say that the spread of yellow fever in different parts of Brazil is becoming so severe that people in some districts are fleeing to the mountains.

Cigars and the World's Fair.

To everyone using A. D. Holland's different brands of celebrated cigars I make the following propositions:

For everyone using 10,000 of my cigars for the next year, beginning January 1st I will give them a round-trip ticket to Chicago and a ticket of admission to the World's Columbian Exposition.

To everyone using 15,000 of my cigars I will give a round-trip ticket to Chicago and two admissions to the World's Columbian Exposition; also two tickets to any theater in the city.

To everyone using 20,000 of my cigars I will give a round-trip ticket to Chicago and three tickets to the World's Fair; a sleeping-car berth ticket, and tickets to the different theaters in the city.

To everyone using 25,000 of my cigars I will give a round-trip ticket to Chicago for self and lady; also sleeping-car berths, a round-trip by lake to Milwaukee, tickets for both lady and gent to the theaters for a week, and also tickets to the World's Fair.

I will also give a 50-box of the celebrated Medallion 10-cent cigar to parties selling the required amount for this trip.

A. D. HOLLAND,
212 West Main St., Decatur, Ill.

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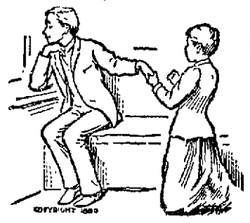
A FRESH assortment of Black Silk Mitts, in plain and fancy backs, at reduced prices, at Linn & Scruggs D. G. & C. Co. dec21-d&wtf



An unusual offer—the one that's made by the proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. Unusual, but made in good faith. It's a reward of $500 for an incurable case of Catarrh. If you have one, the money's for you. But you can't know whether you have one, till you've tried Dr. Sage's Remedy. What's incurable by any other means, yields to that. By its mild, soothing, cleansing and healing properties, it cures the worst cases, no matter of how long standing. That's the reason the money can be offered. There's a risk about it, to be sure. But it's so small that the proprietors are willing to take it.

The symptoms of catarrh are, *headache*, obstruction of nose, discharges falling into throat, sometimes profuse, watery, and acrid, at others, thick, tenacious, mucous, purulent, bloody, putrid and offensive; eyes weak, ringing in ears, deafness; offensive breath; smell and taste impaired, and general debility. *Only* a few of these symptoms likely to be present at once.

DON'T MISS IT!

Importers' and Manufacturers' Samples; Three Big Lines.

HANDKERCHIEFS
APRONS AND
COLLARS.

Twenty-five per cent below regular price. Will go like hot cakes. First choice the best. Will be put on sale

Monday Morning, December 21.

A. G. Hatch & Bro.

143 East Main Street.

FOR SCROFULA

scrofulous humor in the blood, ulcers, catarrh, and consumption, use

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

The most economical, safe, speedy, and effective of all blood-purifiers.

Has Cured Others will cure you.

ALL SORTS.

PENELOPE—"I hear you are engaged to Miss Dingbatts at last." Reginald—"Yes; she refused me six times, but I persevered." Penelope—"Then you were well shaken before taken."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON,
{SEAL} *Notary Public.*

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the entire system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by all druggists, 75c.

HOST to Waiter—"Did you give that tourist his bill?" "Yes." Impossible—he is still whistling."

Merit Wins.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. For sale by King & Wood, druggists. am

AFTER all, the old-fashioned meter by by moonlight is about the only one that has stood the test of time and experts.

Royal Ruby Port Wine.

If you are reduced in vitality or *strength by illness or any other cause*, we recommend the use of this grand old Port Wine, the very blood of the grape. A grand tonic for mothers nursing and those reduced by wasting diseases. It creates strength, improves the appetite. Nature's own remedy, much preferable to drugs, guaranteed absolutely pure and of age. Young wine ordinarily sold by druggists is not fit to use. Insist on having this standard brand, it costs no more. $1.00 in quart bottles only. Royal Port Wine Co., Chicago. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

IF a state wishes to be considered in the world, it must be represented in the world's fair.

GOOD ADVICE—The Editor of the West *Branch, Iowa, Record, gives his readers* some good advice. "We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our family in cases of sudden colds and sore throat and find it all that is claimed for it. One bottle or less if taken according to directions will, we believe, effect a cure in any ordinary case and save the expense of large doctor bills. Especially do we recommend it in families where the children are threatened with croup, as it will afford immediate relief, if taken in time, which can always be done if the medicine is kept on hand, as we are convinced it should be. For sale by W. F. Neisler, druggist

No matter how small the scandal there's always enough of it to go around.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or your money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by King & Wood, druggists. d&w

THE man is a fool who says there is no God. He does not know.

MANY serious sickness is produced by allowing the bowels to remain in a torpid or a partially constipated condition than from any other cause. In many instances diseases are produced, from which, people never wholly recover. Dyspepsia, piles and nervous disorders are three of the most common and most serious. They are caused by neglecting the bowels and can be prevented by an occasional dose of St. Patrick's Pills, which always produce a pleasant cathartic effect, and not only physic; but cleanse the whole system and regulate the liver and bowels: 25 cents per box. For sale by W. F. Neisler, *Druggist.*

THE troubles that trouble us the most are the troubles that never happen.

Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels *through the nerves.* A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedily cure biliousness, bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequaled for men, women, children. Smallest, mildest, surest. 30 doses, 25 cts. Samples free, at W. C. Armstrong's drug store. d&w

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

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L. F. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

+ ARCADE. +

❋GREAT REDUCTION SALE❋

—OF—

Kid Gloves.

In order to reduce our large stock of Kid Gloves to make room for our Spring importation order we will offer our entire stock of Celebrated Brands of Kid Gloves at the following remarkably Low Prices from now until December 25, 1891.

All our $1.00 Kid Gloves reduced to 75c
Al our $1.25 Kid Gloves reduced to $1.00
All our celebrated Arcade Kid Gloves, worth $2, Reduced to $1.49
" " " Mousquetaire, undressed, colored and black, Reduced to 1.49

We are the only house in the city where you can get the Genuine Alexandre Kid Gloves. $2.00 is the price in Chicago or New York. *OUR PRICE,*

$1.69 FOR DRESSED.
$1.49 FOR UNDRESSED.

☞Our Cloak Sale still goes on regardless of cost. Come before the sizes are broken.

A. WAIT & CO.,

Corner North Main street and Lincoln Square
—EVERY STREET CAR PASSES THIS CORNER.—

PROF. GREATMIND—"Have you ever reflected on the mysterious wonders of electricity?" Sweet Girl—"Indeed I have, and I don't know yet why my bangs come out of curl during a thunder-storm."

Sudden Deaths.

Heart disease is by far the most frequent cause of sudden death, which in three cases out of four is unsuspected. The symptoms are not generally understood. These are: a habit of lying on the right side, short breath, pain or distress in the side, back or shoulder, irregular pulse, asthma, weak and hungry spells, wind in stomach, swelling of ankles or dropsy, oppression, dry cough and smothering. Dr. Miles' illustrated book on heart disease free at W. C. Armstrong's who sell and guarantee Dr. Miles' unequaled New Heart Cure, and his Restorative Nervine, which cures nervousness, headache, sleeplessness, effects of drinking, etc. It contains no opiates.

"It turns out that the supposed robbery of the Gonzaga bank was no robbery after all." "So?" "It was a mere business transaction. The cashier stood in with the robbers."

A Safe Investment.

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggest a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, when used for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consumption, Inflammation of Lungs, Bronchitis Asthma, Whooping Cough, Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depened upon. Trial bottles free at King & Wood's drug store. am

"Front seat?" asked the sexton of the stranger. "No," he answered, "I can't afford it. The front seat has to make a good showing in the contribution plate."

Starting Facts.

The American people are rapidly becoming a race of nervous wrecks, and the foll wing suggests the best remedy: Alphonso Hempfling, of Butler, Pa., swears that when his son was speechless from St. Vitus dance, Dr. Miles' great restorative Nervine cured him. Mrs. J. R. Miller, of Valparaiso, and J. D. Taylor, of Logansport, Ind., each gained 20 pounds from taking it. Mrs. H. A. Gardner, of Vistula, Ind., was cured of 40 to 50 convulsions a day, and much headache, dizziness, backache and nervous prostration by one bottle. Trial bottles and fine book of marvelous cures, free at W. C. Armstrong's, who recommends and guarantees this unequaled remedy.

IT is perhaps not too late to call the attention of travelers to Ward McAllister's work as one of the best guyed books that America has produced.

FOR SORE THROAT.—Saturate a flannel bandage with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bind it to the throat. It will cure any ordinary case in one night's time. Mr W. B. Fuller, the leading merchant at Greenestile, Iowa, says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is a good one. It cured me of a violent sore throat. I have sold a number of bottles for rheumatism, and always with good results." 50 cent bottles, *for sale by W. F. Neisler, druggist.*

Round Oak Stoves.

The Best Heaters. The only place to get them is at

LYTLE & ECKELS HARDWARE Co.'s

WOOD PUMPS, Chain Pumps, Iron Force Pumps, for sale at Spencer & Lehman's. nov5-d&wtf

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

PILLSBURY'S

FLOUR

14,000 Barrels a Day.
84,000 Barrels a Week.
4,368,000 Barrels a Year.

856,129,000 pounds of Flour

turned out by the Pillsbury Mills every year. *Who Eats It All?* EVERYBODY that wants THE BEST BREAD IN THE WORLD.

MORACE CLARK & SONS, Genl. Agts. PEORIA ILL.

Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1892.

Forda Barber vs. Henry Barber—Divorce.

Affidavit of the non-residence of the said defendant, Henry Barber, having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said county, notice is hereby given to the said Henry Barber that the above named complainant, Forda Barber, heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which suit is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next January term of said court, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur in said county on the second Monday in the month of January, A. D. 1892. Unless you, the said Henry Barber, shall be and appear on the first day of said court and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as true and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated November 27, 1891.

E. MCCLELLAN, Clerk.

GEO. F. WICKENS, Comp's Sol. nov28-d4w

BARGAIN COLUMN

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

FOR SALE—A piano in fine condition. Price $65. Will make a splendid holiday present for somebody. Apply at 330 North Morgan St. 22-d1w*

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.—The partnership heretofore existing between J. H. Krebs and Charles Schubach, the Opera House bakery, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Schubach retiring from the firm. Mr. Krebs will collect all bills and pay all debts of the old firm. Mr. Schubach will still remain as foreman of the bakery. J. H. KREBS
dec23-d CHAS. SCHUBACH.

WANTED—Young lady for general office work in Chicago after Jan. 15. State age and salary. Shorthand or typewriting not required at present, but state if you know them. Address DAILY REPUBLICAN. 21-d1w

HOUSE CLEANING Headquarters for House cleaning, Wall Paper cleaning, and Upholstery of all kinds at 153 West Prairie St., upstairs. Montgomery & Hammons. Satisfaction guaranteed. dec21-d1f

STRAYED—Taken up at Baker's way in yard, corner Water and Wood streets, a roan pony, which the owner can recover by proving property and paying expenses. 19 d6*

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Saloon in good location, doing good business. Will be sold cheap for cash. Will trade for land or city property. Address "Z," City. dec17-d1f

DANCING.—Prof. Leonard, member of the National Association of Teachers, would once more impress upon the minds of all those who wish to perfect themselves in dancing that it a thing is worth learning at all it is worth learning properly. He has taught dancing for the last forty years and after teaching in Boston and New York City, and having a diploma from the National Association of Teachers of Dancing of the United States and Canada, he flatters himself that he knows something about teaching. Some of the best dancers here in Decatur were his pupils of 30s. He is located in Red Men's Hall, opposite Syndicate Block, on North Main street. Hours from 2:30 to 5:00 p. m. New beginners classes every Monday evening. n24tf

FARM FOR SALE—Within 30 days, a well improved farm of 320 acres, good house and barn and out-houses, in Wilmore township, three miles southwest of Oreana and within two miles of the graveled road. Address R. Gardner, box 252, Decatur, Ill., or apply on premises. nov23d&w1m*

CHICAGO SECOND HAND STORE.—All kinds of Cook Stoves at half price. All kinds of Cook Stoves at bargains. Parlor stoves from $8 up; chairs 25c; beds, wardrobes, lounges, parlor suits, bedroom suits. All goods at rock bottom prices, and everything bound to sell.

LUDWIG SCHROMMANN, Manager.
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HUNDREDS of bushels of ear corn at the Northwestern Feed Mill. Oats and all kinds of ground feed at lowest prices. 759 North College street.

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oct9-d1f DECATUR, ILL.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

State of Illinois, } In the Circuit Court.
Macon County, }

Lyon & Armstrong Company vs. Sarah Ann Searcey et al } Bill for Foreclosure. No. 13833.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term of said court, A. D. 1891, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said Circuit Court, will on

Saturday, the 26th day of December 1891,

at the hour of 3 o'clock p. m., at the west entrance to the stairway leading to the Circuit Court room, from South Water street, in the city of Decatur, in said County, offer for sale, at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash, subject to redemption, according to law, the real estate in said decree directed to be sold, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy the debts in said decree mentioned; said real estate being described as follows, to-wit:

The north half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) of the northeast quarter (¼) of the southwest quarter (¼) of section ten, township sixteen north, range two east of the 3d principal meridian, in Macon county, Illinois, Attached.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 3d day of December, A. D. 1891.

JAMES J. FINN,
Master in Chancery.

OUTTEN & PAGE, Solicitors. dec4-d4d

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To the Roof.

What would be more appropriate than a nice Chair, Book-Case, Folding-Bed, Sideboard, Wardrobe, Wall Tyre, Parlor Suit, Center Table; or a Picture, a Lamp, a Set of Dishes, a Carpet, a Rug, Curtains Stove, or some other useful article.

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All Colors and Widths, for the House.

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You will find the Finest Line of

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Sparkling Diamonds!

The Grandest Display of Precious Stones Ever Seen in Decatur.

SPECIAL PROCLAMATION.—The great display will begin at my store, 146 East Prairie street, east of Post Office, on Monday, Dec. 21st, and will continue day and evening until Christmas.

LOVELY DIAMONDS.

This extensive assortment of precious stones will afford everybody a rare opportunity to make selections to suit them. The display will represent thousands of dollars. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to call and see the gems—every one a beauty. Come in and look through whether you want to buy or not. An opportunity to inspect such an array of beautiful diamonds is seldom afforded in a western city. You will be sure to be suited if you want to buy. The variety of style of cutting and size will be so large that any pattern or size can be had. The display will include

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AND

Neckchains set with Diamonds, all at various prices.

RINGS. You can have them set with any precious stones you desire, such as Diamonds, Emerald, Ruby, Sapphire, Opal, Pearl and Turquoise. Also in the novelties, Brown and Canary Diamonds, which are rarities. Drop in and see the Diamonds.

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Strictly High Grade.

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Best Low Priced Piano in the World

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First Class; Medium Priced.

SELECTED STOCK of the above goods for the Holiday Trade now in stock, and more coming For the next sixty days. SPECIAL PRICES TO CASH BUYERS. Take advantage of this s to secure a Piano or an organ at exceptionally Low Prices.

It will pay you to read the following list, then call and examine the goods, and we guarantee the price will suit you.

The Celebrated Washburn Guitar,
HAS NO EQUAL.

THE "ARION" GUITAR,
A FINE INSTRUMENT.

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THE FAMOUS STRATTON VIOLINS,
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My stock of Accordeons and Musical Merchandise cannot be surpassed in QUALITY and QUANTITY, and my prices cannot be duplicated by any dealer outside of Chicago, A FACT easily verified.

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It used to be thought that the only way to save money was to "salt it down" in an old pewter pot or something, a little at a time, as it could be spared. No one ever thought of getting interest on his savings or of making the money in the pot earn anything. It is not so now. People have grown into better ideas. So small a sum as 40 cents per month may be saved and profitably invested in the Equitable Building and Loan Society of Peoria. Sums as high as $150 per month may also be saved and invested. Every dollar earns the same as every other dollar. No preferred stockholders. Women and children may carry stock. It will teach boys and girls the value of a dollar, properly handled.

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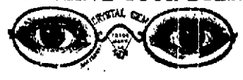

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HERE'S ONE.
Men's Fine Shoes.

In Lace and Congress, Hand, (Goodyear) Sewed, London Toe, Globe Toe, French Toe, D. and E. width; cut from best of American Calf, best oak sole-leather bottoms. This shoe has never retailed for less than $4.00. We offer them now for

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Ladies' Dongola Shoes.

Made by C. P. Ford & Co. Rochester, N. Y., cut from the best of Dongola stock, flexible soles. We have them in opera lasts, in Opera with low heels and in Common Sense last. Widths A to EE. These shoes have always sold for $3.00. We offer them now for

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Some merchants are kicking because we are selling Handkerchiefs, Neckwear and Christmas Novelties SO CHEAP. Let them kick. We sell them as cheap as some of our competitors buy them.

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TO THE PUBLIC:—We now have our Gas Fixture and Electrolier show room fitted up with a large stock of the most desirable goods. To those wishing to purchase any style or kind of a Gas or Electric Fixture, it would certainly pay them to visit us.

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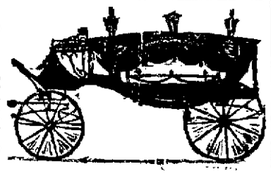

DAILY REPUBLICAN.

THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 24, 1891.

Christmas and Holiday **ARRAY!**

—AT—

HEILMAN'S.

FRENCH GLACE FRUITS. Cherries, Pears, Peaches, Apricots, Sugar Cane.

HOMEMADE FRUIT CAKE.
PLUM PUDDING.
Franco-American (Hucklus') **Soups!**
GREEN TURTLE MEAT.

Cleaned Currants and Raisins.

CHEESE. Cream, N. Y., Pineapple, Edam, Roquefort, Schweitzer, Brickstein, Parmesan.

RAISINS. Dehesa, Cluster, London Layers, Muscatel, Valencia, California, Malaga.

All the above goods are the Very Best and Sold Cheap. Fine French Cream Candy, Cheap.

D. H. HEILMAN & SON, Wholesale and Retail
EAST SIDE OLD SQ. **Grocers.**

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

DENE SON, tailors.

BUSINESS lunch at Wood's. de10-d&w

THE schools were dismissed last evening until Monday, Jan. 4th.

☐HOMEMADE candies, fresh every day, at Wood's. dec10-d&w

OYSTERS in all styles at Combs' restaurant. Lunch at all hours.

SMOKE the old reliable K. & W. cigars. mar25-d1f

HARRY MILLER, the sweet tooth-filler, north and Central Block. dec-2d1m

THE Grand Opera House cigars, made by Keck & Weigand, are the best in town. mar25-d1f

USE the celebrated White Loaf flour. It is made by Shellabarger.

$1.50 for the Best Cabinet Photos, at Chicago Studio, 249 North Main street. Try them nov6-d1f

EVERYBODY says Miller's candies are the best and purest. dec2-d1m

HANDSOMEST line of Toilet cases ever shown in Decatur at Irwin's Pharmacy.

OYSTERS, raw, stewed, or fried, at Wood's. dec10-d&w

THE cheapest and best assortment of Combs and Brushes at Irwin's Pharmacy

THE favorite holiday cigars are those made by Joe Miehl—the Little Rose and the Bouquets.

OHIO winter apples, $2 and $2.25 per barrel at May & Churchman's, on North Water street. Telephone No 1.

BUY Christmas candies and fruits at Cool Bros.' grocery store, 217 North Main street, opposite the Syndicate Block.

WE have the finest line of candies ever shown in Decatur. WOOD'S, 142 Merchant street. dec10-d&w

EXTRA fine apples, fruits and vegetables at Hanks & Co.'s grocery store on South Water street.

THE Christmas bargains in musical instruments of every description can be had at C. B. Prescott's music store. Haines Bros.' pianos and Packard organs are the leaders.

Low prices on carpets, wall-paper, Linoleums, rugs, mats, Chinese silks and mattings has worked wonders in the increase of trade at Abel's Carpet House. [Dec.-19d&wtf

William Walker, who has been on trial for several days at Springfield, charged with the murder of Thomas Jewell, was found not guilty. The prosecution claimed that Walker struck Jewell in the abdomen with a hitch-weight, causing a rupture of the bladder and death. The defense proved that the injury was the result of a fall. Jewell died early in March, and Walker has been in jail since that time.

THE celebrated Centemeri kid gloves are only $1.50, all colors. No other glove will compare with them in beauty or quality at Linn & Scruggs D. G. & C. Co. dec21-d&wtf

THE special quality of Ayer's Hair Vigor is that it restores the natural growth, color and texture of the hair. It vitalizes the roots and follicles, removes dandruff, and heals itching humors in the scalp. In this respect, it surpasses all similar preparations.

THE adjutant general has issued an order for a court martial to convene at Peoria on Monday, December 28, and Lieut. Isaac Sigler is ordered before the court. The court is composed of Col. James M. Rice, Capt. Louis H. Gillette, Capt. Thomas M. McGirr, Capt. James E. Watkins, First Lieut. Frank Tunquary, and Capt. Will F. Zuties judge advocate. The charge against Lieutenant Sigler is drunkenness on duty.

An exchange states that the male wasp does not sing. Before investigating the truth of this assertion we would advise our readers to procure a bottle of Salvation Oil. Sold by all dealers.

Reward.—We will pay a reward of one thousand dollars for any certificate published by us regarding Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup not found genuine.

A. C. MEYER & Co., Baltimore, Md.

OUR homemade candies are the best. WOOD, 142 Merchant street. dec10-d&w

EXPERIMENTS on the Illinois Central the past few weeks show that the hauling of a 1000-ton train, including dead weight and cargo, requires 3½ barrels of water a mile, or a gross ton of water every 2½ miles, and a ton of coal every 17 miles. The locomotive was a Rogers, weighing with tender 70 tons and the speed was a little less than 18 miles an hour. The fuel outlay in transportation is many times greater than the public is generally aware of.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT for your wife, is a Victoria carpet sweeper, the best in the world and don't wear out your carpets. For sale by the

dtf. LITTLE & ECKELS HARDWARE CO.

CLOSING out sale of watches, clocks, jewelry, silverware and spectacles at Scudder's, 239 North Water street. Everything must go by January 1, 1892.

[Dec. 19-d6t

OUR All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs for ladies and gentlemen at 20c and 25c cannot be matched elsewhere. LINN & SCRUGGS D. G. & C. Co. dec21-d&wtr

Notice.

There will be but one mail delivery on Christmas Day, that in the morning. No money order nor registry business will be transacted. The Postoffice will be closed at 10 o'clock a. m.

Christmas at School.

The 49 pupils in Miss Ida Hockingberry's room at the Wood Street school had special Christmas exercises of a very entertaining character yesterday afternoon, witnessed and enjoyed by about twenty visitors. In singing and in declarations the children were wonderfully good. They were prompt, ladylike, manly and graceful. In the drawing lesson, conducted by Miss Vaughn, the scholars reflected credit alike upon themselves and the teachers. The special program was as follows:

Song—"In a Meadow Green".....School
Song—"Babes in the Wood"..... James Durfee, Joe Stout Tom Hoskins, Leonard Cassell, Roy Blackburn.
What a Little Woman Can Do..Helen Bachrach
What a Little Man Can Do.....Leonard Cassell
A Watermillion.....George Shade
Song—"Do You Know How Many Stars?". James Durfee, Joe Stout, Bessie Wilson, M. Blackstone, Lessie Abel, Mabel Knight, Grace Johnson, Bessie Young.
Recitation.....Homer Dawson
Recitation.....Ruth Valentine
Song—"Mary Had a Little Lamb".....James Durfee and Others
Song—"We Three Kings".....School
Recitation.....Roy Blackburn
Recitation.....Lessie Abel
Recitation.....Tom Hoskins
Boundary of Christmas..... Homer Dawson, Paul Robertson, Karl Van, Roy Blackburn, Irving Goode.
Song—"Up on the House Top".....School
Merry Christmas..... Eddy Keller, Joe Stout, Ethel Tubbs, Mary Wallace, Mary Martin, Mark Ackerman, Eva Wheat, Frank Beall, Mary Muirhead, Clem Fenton, Nellie Miller, Glenn Pope, Paul Robertson, Jessie Hott.
Recitation.....Marguerite Blackstone
Recitation.....James Durfee
Recitation.....Bessie Wilson
Recitation.....Mabel Knight
Recitation.....Sadie Friss
Recitation.....Leonard Cassell
recitation.....Alice Baker
Recitation.....Bessie Young
Song—"Way Up in the Clouds".....School
Christmas..... Ned Wood, M. Blackstone, Alice Baker, James Durfee, Mabel Knight, Tom Hoskins, Herbert Deischell, Bessie Young, Lessie Abel.
Recitation.....Belle Dinges
Recitation.....Bessie Young
Jolly Old St. Nick.....Grace Johnson
Recitation.....Mame Martin
Good-bye..... Blanche Shockey, Sadie Friss, Lottie Brinkmeyer, Nina Imboden, Jessie Hott, Helen Bachrack, Celia Post.
Good Night.....Twenty Girls and Boys

MARRIED.

At the residence of George H. Jones, 1044 East William street, Dec. 23, by Rev. H. H. Oneal, of Grace M. E. church, Frank B. Johnson and Miss Sophia Tendher, both of Decatur.

The groom is the efficient foreman of the Wabash wrecking train crew. The couple left today for Brookfield, Mo., on a visit. On their return they will reside at 1237 East Eldorado street.

At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. M. W. Irwin, 655 East Condit street, by Rev. E. B. Cake, of the Christian church, on Dec. 23, W. Ord Hendricks, of Cheyenne, Wyoming, and Miss Pearl Markwell, of Decatur.

The couple will reside in Decatur.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, 360 West Wood street, by Rev. James Miller, of the First M. E. church, Mont J. Shultz, of Terre Haute, Ind., and Miss Nellie M. Smith.

There were about fifty guests present. The attendants were: Chester Vest, Ed Downing, Will Blackburn, Mary Downing, Kate McGraw and Bertha Shultz. A fine wedding repast was served, and many useful gifts were bestowed. Mr. and Mrs. Shultz will visit at Greenup, Ill., and make their home at Terre Haute, Ind., where the groom is a compositor on the *Morning Express*.

At the residence of the bride's mother, 624 North Union street, December 23, by Rev. J. S. Woods, of the A. M. E. church, William H. Stiger and Miss Lucy Kenney.

A splendid wedding supper was served. The couple will reside at the corner of Marietta and Pine streets.

At the Platt Hotel, December 23, by Judge Nelson, J. W. Huston and Miss Maggie England, both of Latham, Ill.

The Pupils and the Poor.

The pupils of the Decatur public schools, by direction of Superintendent Gastman and the teachers, remembered the poor of the city in a substantial manner, affording the children an opportunity to practice practical charity and enjoy the consciousness of having done something kind and thoughtful for somebody less fortunate than the donors. Each pupil brought to the school a potato or an apple, and in each school was collected anywhere from two to four bushels of apples and potatoes—all aggregating 25 to 30 bushels. The apples and potatoes were sent to the Industrial and Charitable Union to be distributed to the beneficiaries. At the Jackson street school Miss Eyman, the principal, and the other teachers arranged to provide for a good Christmas dinner for four deserving families.

The Prince Play To-Night.

Mark Twain once wrote a pretty tale in which a Prince, in a boyish freak, changed garments with a little Pauper, and suffered a good many misadventures after he tired of the subsequent change of position, or before he could persuade anyone that he was really the Prince and not the ragged impostor. Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson dramatized the story, little Elsie Leslie impersonated the royal and the ragged lads, New York approved and Mark Twain rejoiced. This city will have the opportunity to do both when Elsie Leslie will present the play at the Grand Opera House to-night. See it.

Will Not be In It.

The Decatur Trotting Association will not give a summer meeting next year, because it will take until fall to finish the new pear shaped mile track. The association had hoped to give two meetings but owing to the improvements the July meeting had to be given up. The September meeting will be a grand affair. By that time the enlarged trotting park will be brought into the city limits. The dates of the summer meeting at other points in the Central Illinois Circuit are fixed as follows: Danville, July 4, 5, 6 and 7; Bloomington, July 12, 13, 14 and 15; Kankakee, July 19, 20, 21 and 22.

A Prize Offered.

H. Mueller & Sons will give an $8.00 New York Club rifle to the party killing the largest number of English sparrows in Macon county during the months of December, January and February. All orders on the county treasurer for sparrows killed in the months named will be paid at the Mueller store on Merchant street, and a correct record kept on which the prize will be awarded. D11-d&wtf

Coming Next Week.

Wednesday evening, December 30—the Agnes Wallace Villa Company will appear at the Grand Opera House in Frank Harvey's great play, "The World Against Her."

New Year's Day—January 1st—the well-known young actor, Mr. Augustine Neaville, in his great play, the new "Boy Tramp."

The Finest Display.

If you want to see the finest display of fine holiday slippers go to Walter Hutchin this evening and take a look. The largest stock to select from. Slippers make an elegant Christmas present. Do not fail to call and see our fine diplay. All prices. "Sign of big shoe."

WALTER HUTCHIN.
12-19.15t No. 117 N. Water St.

Christmas Chimes.

The Presbyterian Choir, assisted by Mrs. Grace Oneal, Mrs. Harwood, Mr. D. L. Bunn and others, will give a song service in the Opera House on Sunday evening. They are already at work upon an elaborate programme. 23-d2

A GLOWING DESCRIPTION.

The Grip and What It is Like—How to Get It.

A victim gives the following as a true word picture of his physical, mental and spiritual state: "The grip is the quintessence of every mean sensation to which human flesh is heir. Your back aches as though you had the worst attack of lumbago that ever fell to the lot of mortal; your head aches like you had been drunk on champaign for a week. All your bones ache as though you had a severe spell of the 'break bone fever.' You are unable to see, and your olfactory arrangements are of so little use to you that by their assistance alone you could not distinguish cologne from asafœtida. Your ears are stopped up so that sounds near by seem a mile away, and all the while there is a monstrous roaring in your head that gives the impression that the next door house is a flour mill with a capacity of 10,000 barrels a day, and in full blast. Your eyes water, your nose is working full time, and your mouth is sometimes as dry as a powder horn and sometimes overflowing with what the old folks use to call 'water brash.' You feel that you have no use for the world, and that the world has no use for you, and in both cases you are right."

HOW TO GET IT.

One of the fruitful sources of la grippe and of many other troubles, is the carelessness which people display with regard to preserving something like a uniform degree of heat. The system of heating some rooms and offices cannot be too strongly condemned. By the quantity of steam used the room is allowed to rise something less than 90 degrees, and then a man in a sweat, after working under such conditions, rushes into the street, where the thermometer is at 40 degrees. One should also take steps to prevent the cold current of air rushing through the mouth; it is always best to breathe through the nose, for then the air gradually heats before it reaches the lungs.

"Hearts of New York."

At the Grand Christmas afternoon and night—two performances. Lovers of good comedy drama will have an opportunity to witness, possibly, the best of its kind, when "Hearts of New York" will appear at the Grand opera house. No play of the present generation has made such a success, and no play equals it for sensational and startling scenes. The realistic police patrol was the original and first one ever produced on any stage. The scenery and costumes are magnificent. The names of the artists who comprise the company are sufficient guarantee that for perfection of detail and adherence to artistic stage work it can have no rival, and a complete performance may be looked for. Seats on sale now. Mr. Hines and Earl Remington (Lizzie Allison) will appear in their specialties.

Sabbath Association of Illinois.

The fourth annual convention of the Illinois Sabbath Association is to be held in the Second Presbyterian church in Springfield, Ill., on Monday evening and Tuesday, December 28 and 29. The subject for the first session, Monday evening, 7:30, will be "Sunday Newspapers;" Tuesday, 9:30 a. m., "Domestic Labor and Pleasure on the Sabbath;" Tuesday, 2 p. m., "Sunday Trains and Cars;" Tuesday, 7 p. m., "The World's Fair and the Sabbath."

Addresses are expected from Rev. O. O. Fletcher and others of Springfield, Rev. Dr. Mullory and Mr. E. F. Cragin, of Chicago, Hon. George P. Lord, of Elgin, President Blanchard, of Wheaton, and others.

Troutman News.

The grain market has been badly broken the last few days.

Rev. Bryant preached at Sharon last Sunday morning and evening

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cox and daughter, Myrtle, of Kansas, arrived here Sunday, and are visiting the postmaster and family. Mr. Cox is the oldest son of Peter Cox deceased, and Mrs. Cox the eldest daughter of Peter Troutman. Both families were among the early settlers of Macon county, and members of the old Stephen Creek M. E. church.

R. M. Parks' daughter accidentally placed a lighted lamp near the lace curtains setting them on fire, and had a narrow escape from a disastrous conflagration.

Frank Park is visiting his parents this week.

Sharon will have a grand Christmas tree tomorrow evening.

Some of our farmers are plowing.

The twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cooper were buried in Sharon cemetery yesterday.

S. Troutman is suffering from la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Park are visiting relatives at Berlin, Ill., this week.

Dec. 23. SOL.

SECRET SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MASONIC.

Special meeting of Macon Lodge, No. 8, A. F. & A. M., this (Thursday) evening at 7 o'clock, for work in the First degree.

L. A. BUCKINGHAM, W. M.
WM. L. HAMMER, Sec'y.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Regular convention of Cœur de Leon Lodge No. 17, K. of P., this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in rank of Esquire. Resident and visiting knights welcome.

F. O. DAMROW, C. C.
F. W. WISMER, K. of R. and S.

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Brings the blood where the world's folks are operated, cerebrated, healthy and happy. Now publish the news where people are sick, or wish to be well. How grand the results that are sailed to the tired feel as a tired and rest will restore nervous, sick, failing dependent and

WEAK WOMEN

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MADE

to suffer much pain. I used prescriptions of several good doctors, but my ailments increased. A bearing down pain about my back and loins seemed as if it would kill me. I was subject to frequent headaches and bilious attacks. In this condition I began a use of Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla. It seemed precisely suited to my condition. Every spoonful seemed to go to the right spot. I soon showed great improvement, and my friends rejoiced at my returning health. I used it during the months of March and April, and give it all the credit for my present enjoyment of life and good health. It is a boon to weak and suffering women and will make them

STRONG.

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Smith's Tonic Syrup is the only safe cure for Chills and Fever.

Dr. John Bull's Worm Destroyer.

This remedy never fails to give satisfaction. Try it when children act peevish and cross. It may be worms that ails them. It tastes good. Price 25 cents at drug stores or sent by mail by John D. Park & Sons Co., Wholesale agents, 175 and 177 Sycamore Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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☞Read what your money will buy at Johnston's.

25c WILL BUY
A pair of Ladies' Cashmere Gloves.
A pair of Ladies' Cashmere Mittens.
A pair of Children's Double Knit Mittens.
A Gent's Fancy Silk Neck Scarf.
A Ladies' Scallop Silk Handkerchief.
A pair of Gents' Suspenders.
A Ladies' pure Linen Initial H'd'k'f.
A fancy bottle of Perfume.
A fancy Bracelet, Hairpin.
A pretty Fancy Apron.
A child's Silk Windsor Tie.
A pair of Ladies Hose.

50c WILL BU
A Ladies' fine Swiss Vest.
A Gents' Heavy Shirt.
A pair of Ladies' Cashmere Hose.
A Gents' elegant Scarf.
An elegant Embroidered Handkerchief.
A Child's Plush Work Box.
A Fancy Apron.

$1 WILL BUY
A Comfort. A Pair of Blankets.
A large White Bed Spread.
A pair of Lace Curtains.
A Worsted Dress Pattern of 8 yards.
A pair of Kid Gloves.
A Suit of Underwear.
Fancy Plush and Leather articles.

$2 WILL BUY
A fine Damask Table Cloth.
A fine Comfort.
A heavy pair of Blankets.
A Suit of All-Wool Underwear.
A Silk Umbrella.
An Oxidized Silver Handkerchief Box

$3 WILL BUY
A fine Chenille Table Cover.
A Child's Cloak.
A Lady's Cloak. A heavy Shawl.
A Ladies' fine Black Skirt.
A fine Silk Umbrella.
A Splendid Smyrna Rug.
A half dozen fine Silk Handkerchiefs.

$5 WILL BUY
An elegant Damask Table Set.
A fine Silk Umbrella.
A fine Black Cashmere Shawl.
An elegant Ladies' Jacket.
A pair of Chenille Portieres.
An elegant pair of Lace Curtains.
An elegant Dress pattern.

$10 will buy an Elegant Umbrella, Cloak or Curtains. $15 will buy a fine Cloak Wrap, or Silk Dress. These prices duplicated at

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Leather Toilet Sets, 75c,
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Good Quality, contains Brush, Comb, etc.

FINER ONES, with Razor, Full Manicure Sets, Etc., **$2.50 to $7.00**

Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Muffiers, Full Dress Shirts, Full Dress Ties, Silk Suspenders, Fine Underwear, Silk Vests, Men's and Boys' Fine Hats, FINE NECKWEAR, in Tecks, Scarfs Four-in-Hands, Newest Styles at Special Low Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

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Easy Payment is the Thing.

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GENTS' CORK SOLES.
From $3.50 to $8.

Gents' Fine Dress Shoes.
From $2.00 to $7.50.

GENTS' PATENT LEATHER SHOES AND DANCING PUMPS,
In All Sizes and Styles.

The Finest Ladies' Hand-Turned Shoes for $2.00.

All Ladies' and Children's Shoes from A to EE.

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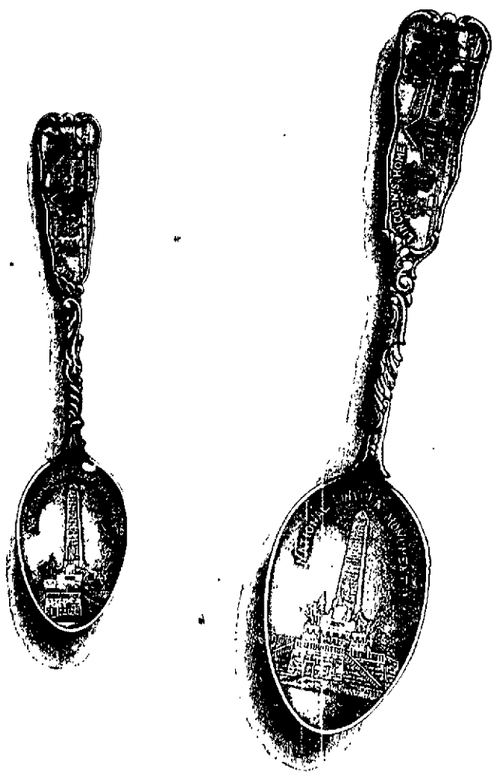

When buying a Friendship Spoon to send out of this State you will want to see our ILLINOIS Teaspoon and Coffee Spoon, in solid sterling silver.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Jewelers and Dealers in China.

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That the short time we have been in business as a firm we have developed a trade that speaks words of praise for our line of CLOTHING and GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

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The Popular Clothing Firm,

BRYAN, JONES & CO.

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At the Fat Stock Show recently held in Chicago we purchased of Wm. S. VanNatta, of Fowler, Ind., the noted Hereford breeder, the prize cross-bred Hereford and Sussex steer under one year old; of John Hudson, Mowcaqua, Ill, the 1st and 2d prize yearling Devon steers. These steers are not large but are ripe and thick in flesh and will produce a quality of beef as choice as any we have ever offered you. In addition to the above we have a 3-year-old brown Swiss Heifer from the herd of Abe Bourquin, Nokomis, Ill.; and of D. P. Keller, of Macon, five choice 2-year old Polled Angus Heifers. Our patrons may rest assured that the high standard of excellence of our Holiday Beef will be maintained in what we shall place on our blocks this season.

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Fine Shoes, School Shoes,
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For Farmers, Butchers and Brewers.

Ladies' and Gents' Over-Gaiters, Ladies' and Gents' Stocking Heel Protectors, Boys' and Gents' Patent Leather Dancing Slippers, Rubber Instep-Overs and Foot-Holders Holiday Slippers, Doll Shoes, Babies' Chamois and Soft Sole Shoes.

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—AT—

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THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 24, 1891.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

All English.

The $5's we sell at $6.00, $7.50, $8.00, $8.50, $9.00, $10.00 and $15.00, are ALL ENGLISH porcelain, and *we have plenty of them*. We do not want you to miss this sale. E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.

MERRY Christmas to all.

DENZ & SON, tailors.

BUY your candies at Wood's. d10-d&w

TEETH, $8—Hoskins & Moore, dentists

THE best and cheapest air rifles, 99c Store. d2ltf

OYSTERS by the can at Wood's. dec10-d&w

GOOD winter apples only $2.00 a barrel at May & Churchman's grocery store.

TRY Harry Miller's buttercups—none better. de 2-d1m

SANDWICHES and coffee at Wood's dec10-d&w

FORTY styles of Cuff and Collar boxes, at reduced prices at Irwin's Pharmacy.

LOWNEY'S fine chocolate at Wood's. dec10-d&w

STAMPED linens, new and fresh, in great variety, at Roach Bros.' dec12-d&w3w

THE town of Argenta is to have a $5,000 creamery.

THE REPUBLICAN will not be issued Christmas Day.

C. F. BUTZBACH'S Ice Telephone number has been changed to 511. 24-d3

500 WHIPS, from 10c to 74c; worth three times the money at the 99c Store. 2dtf

THE brick masons organized a union last evening at the carpenters' hall.

BLANK & GRASS is the place to buy your Paints, Wall Paper and Window Shades. a95-dtf

IF you can't find what you want for a holiday present, go to the 99c Store. 2dtf

THE Saxon Beauty kid gloves are $1.25—have no equal—at Linn Scruggs D. G & C. Co. dec21-d&wtf

OVER 100 styles in Japanese silk handkerchiefs, some are beauties, all are cheap, at Roach Bros. d12-d&w3w

THE Decatur agent for the Remington Standard Typewriter is J. J. H. Young, at the REPUBLICAN office. dtf

MRS. SARAH SNOW, who resided at Mowenqua many years, died last evening, aged 60 years, of la grippe.

RALPH TEMPLETON has a large stock *of Cut Glass goods which he is selling* very cheap for the next week. 21-d4

URIAH BLUE, aged 43, was buried at Kenney to-day. He was an active member of the Knights of Pythias order.

TOM DOAKE has leased the Evans wagon yard on West Wood street, the lease to take eff at January 1, 1892.

WHEN looking for Christmas presents go to Saudler's closing out jewelry sale, 239 North Water street.—Dec.19d6t

FUR muffs, feather collars and children's fur sets cheaper than anybody will show you, at Roach Bros.' d12-d&w3w

MRS. JANE POTTER, widow of the late I. H. Potter, who kept hotel so many years at Mowenqua, died this morning at Mowenqua, aged 69 years, of paralysis.

A FEW very fine toilet cases for sale below cost at the Opera House Pharmacy, Ralph Templeton, proprietor. They would make very nice Christmas presents. Call around and inspect the stock.

WE can suit you to a T in Holiday Presents.—ROACH BROS. d12-d&w3w

TO-DAY C. M. Durning, tax collector for Mt. Zion township, filed his bond; amount $22,940; sureties A. C. Traughber, James Durning, James Millikin and T. J. Bohrer.

LADIES' Muffs and Collars in Mink, Marten, Seal and Astrakhan; also Children's Sets at lowest prices. LINN & SCRUGGS D. G. & C. Co. dec21-dawtf

As Ayer's Sarsapparilla outstrips all other blood-purifiers in popular favor, so Ayer's Almanac is the most universally familiar publication of the kind in the world. It is printed in ten languages and the annual issue exceeds fourteen millions of copies. Ask your druggist for it.

WILLARD WALLACE, a young barber not 21, is in the county jail, held on a warrant charging him with the betrayal of Miss Alice Osborn, who is ill of typhoid fever at the home of W. F. McGee on Howard street. Wallace will marry the girl if he can get the consent of his father.

AT Mowaqua Tuesday night Home Lodge No. 252 Order of Tonti elected officers as follows: Pres. H. M. Day, Vice-pres. J. A. Goodwin, Sec. Jas. H. Elsum, Treas. J. W. Corole, Chap. T. D. Shay, Marsh. Sam Parks, Guard J. G. Curington, Sent. J. R. Miller, Med. Ex. Dr. W. H. Sparling, Trustees T. J. Jarvis, W. A. Stanley, J. E. Curington.

MARRIAGE licenses were issued to-day to Barney G. Schroll and Mrs. Anna L. White, both of Hickory Point; to Harry K. Middleton and Miss Jennie Mitchell, both of Cerro Gordo; to Andrew C. Black, of Blue Mound and Miss Lizzie McKee, of Mechanicsburg; to August Behrend and Miss Anna Jordan, both of Decatur; and to Willis Bill and Miss Katie Atteberry, both of Shelbyville.

THE Masonic services at the grave in Greenwood cemetery last evening at the burial of the late Rev. C. S. Jacobs were conducted by J. W. Brummell, Worshipful Master of Decatur Lodge No. 17, assisted by J. W. Woodford, past W. M. The pallbearers were Isaac Rogan, Dolton Steward, James Brummell, Will Holly, George Dennis and Ed. Caldwell.

Now you know that Ferriss & Lapham always sold your shoes cheap. But all past prices are not in it compared with the low prices which they are now quoting. They must turn thir present wholesale stock into cash before January 1 and they have to sell the bulk of it at retail in Decatur. Better go there and buy now. Nothing like getting a pair of shoes at half price when you can. Ferriss & Lapham, 148 East Main street. tt.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES AT THE VARIOUS CHURCHES.

The A. B. C. Reception—Calumet Dance—Christmas Club—The Commercial Travelers' Ball To-Morrow Night.

The gladsome Christmas Day, the great holiday festival for little children and little children grown tall will occur to-morrow. Judging from the grand procession from store to store during the past two weeks and the deluge of mysterious packages at the express offices to-morrow will be a happy season in many a Decatur home and those upon whom Fortune has smiled with special favor will not forget the less fortunate.

THE CHRISTMAS CLUB.

The 1000 members of the Decatur Christmas Club have completed arrangements for the free dinner to poor children which will be served at the court house Saturday at noon, to be followed by an entertainment at the opera house.

AT THE CHURCHES.

The Christmas services for the Sunday school of the First M. E. Church will be held in the audience room of the church at 4 p. m. to-morrow, when there will be long ladders prettily decorated and lighted; also pyramids of candies in boxes besides oranges, which will be distributed. The special feature of the celebration of the birth of the Savior will be a Mother Goose cantata in costume, arranged by Mrs. D. T. Harris and Miss Lizzie Kuloper, and Santa Claus will be there as large as life.

Christmas Day services will be held at St. John's Episcopal church, and will be rendered by the surplice choir, and will be the full communion office with choral setting. The exercises will commence at 10:45 a. m. The musical program will be as follows:

Vestry Carol—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" ..... Willis
Organ Prelude ..... Handel
Pastoral Symphony.
Processional Hymn.
Adeste Fideles—"O, Come All Ye Faithful" ..... Reading
Introit—"Though Poor Be the Chamber" Solo by H. F. Starbuck ..... Gounod
Gloria Tibi } ..... Tours in F
Gratias }
Credo ..... Mendelssohn
Hymn No. 16.
Offertory—"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," solo and chorus ..... W. Best
Sanctus Cordia } ..... Tours in F
Trisagion }
Sanctus
Communion Hymn—"Hail, Sacred Feast". ..... Knowles
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Plain Song
Nunc Dimittis ..... Barnby
Retrocessional—"Angels from the Realms of Glory" ..... Smart

At a meeting of the Sunday school of the Presbyterian church last Sunday it was decided by a vote not to hold any Christmas service during the holidays, but arrangements were made to for a concert to be held in the new church the latter part of January for the benefit of the Sunday school children. However the Presbyterian choir, assisted by Mrs. Grace Oneal, of Iowa, Mrs. Harwood, Mr. D. L. Bunn and others, will give a song service in the opera house on next Sunday evening.

The members of the Baptist church will hold Christmas service at the church to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, when an interesting program will be observed. The exercises will consist of songs, recitations, etc, and will be under the management of Supt. W. J. Wayne.

At the United Brethren church Christmas services will be held to-night at 7 o'clock and the program will consist of a cantata entitled "Waiting for Santa Claus." A platform has been constructed in the church and Santa Claus promises a splendid entertainment for the children. It will be a treat for all who attend.

At the Christian church the regular Christmas services will be held at 7 o'clock to-morrow night with a Mother Goose and Santa Claus cantata.

Christmas services will be held to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock at the A. M. church by the members of the Sunday school and a splendid program will be rendered under the management of Lewis Stewart.

At the Grace M. E. church to-night at 7:30 o'clock the following program will be observed:

Song ..... School
Scripture Recital ..... Jessie Fell, Leah Sellerling, Eva Sikes
Prayer ..... Pastor
Song ..... School
Recitation ..... Charlie Keyes
Recitation ..... Edna Strader
Solo ..... Emma Fahmeyer
The Adoration of the King ..... Mrs. Fell's Class
Recitation and Song ..... Pearl Leib
Recitation ..... Francis Fell
Song ..... Infant Class
Recitation ..... Charlie Steele
Song ..... School
Christmas Exercises
Recitation ..... Fred Handy
Solo ..... Miss Blanche Oneal
Motto Exercise ..... Five Girls
Duet ..... Fred Handy and Edna Kramer
Recitation ..... Myrtle McGowan
Song ..... School
Good bye song ..... Infant Class

THE A. B. C. CLUB.

The members of the A, B, C club will give a reception and banquet to college students to-morrow evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Hamsher, on West William street. The members of the club are Misses Donna Buckingham, Maude Barnes, Mary Clary, Nettie Haag, Hattie Crossman, Mamie Wood, Emma Harpstrite, Mame Wilson, and Messrs. Lou Coonradt, Mac Crossman, Jesse Whitsit, Frank Hamsher, Carroll McIntire, of Philadelphia, Milton Johnson, Tom Wood and Lon Tuttle. Some fifty invitations have been extended to college students in this city and the affair promises to be a grand success. The menu and toast cards are very pretty and on the back can be found the following assurance:

Though few in numbers,
Yet in it we must be,
For nothing can be a success
Without the A. B. C.

The banquet will be served at 9:30, with the following menu:

Fried oysters.
Turkey—Cranberry Jelly. Ham.
Celery. Pickles. Olives.
Vienna Bread. Chicken Salad.
Vanilla Ice Cream.
Chocolate Cake. Fig Cake. Cocoanut Cake
Orange Cake. Fruit Cake.
English Walnut Cake.
Grapes. Bananas.
Coffee. Wafers.

Mac Crossman was chosen for toastmaster, and below we print the list of toasts.

Invocation ..... Rev. James Miller
Our College Friends ..... Nota Clark
What Means This Gathering Here? ..... Frank Hamsher
College Experience ..... Rev. W. R. Penhallegon
Charm { pulpe } ..... Al. Bower
Sham { pain }
Past, Present and Future ..... Lon Tuttle
Our Ministers ..... Charles Wood
The Future of Our Colleges ..... Rev. C. E. Torrey
Ode to the A. B. C. ..... Mary Wood

BALLS.

There will be two balls Christmas night, one at Guards' Armory given by the Commercial Travelers' Association, and the usual holiday dancing party at the Calumet club house. To-night the Draymen will have their ball at the Armory.

SANTA CLAUS AT I. N. MARTIN'S.

Santa Claus visited I. N. Martin jr. at Linn & Scruggs' dry goods store to-day and made arrangements for his appearance at Mr. Martin's residence, 942 North Main street at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow (Christmas) morning. Mr. Martin has invited his nieces and nephews to be present besides about 25 children in the immediate neighborhood and a great time is anticipated for the children.

Death of S. K. Shaffer.

Samuel K. Shaffer, familiarly known as Charley Shaffer, died yesterday in the hospital at Kankakee, Ill., where he had been a patient for a considerable period, and where two of his sons visited him this week, leaving Tuesday night for home. Mr. Shaffer, who has been afflicted for about five or six years, was in his usual health until a few days ago when he was taken with convulsions which could not be overcome. The deceased was born in Ohio in 1826, and was aged 65 years He amassed considerable property and leaves his family in good circumstances. His brothers are Frank Shaffer, of Decatur, and Harry Shaffer, of Zaring, Iowa. He was the father of nine children. The surviving members of the family are the widow, and Frank G., Richard T., Charles, Gay and Miss Vallie Fay Shaffer.

The body was brought to Decatur this morning and taken to the family residence, 620 West North street.

McGinty's Gilded Palace.

Michael McGinty's new saloon in Masonic Temple Block, a veritable gilded palace, was thrown open to the public to-day, and hundreds of people called to feast their eyes upon the interior beauty of the resort. No description can do the palace justice. To appreciate the harmony and embellishments wrought by the artists one must visit the place and chat with McGinty. He is pretty well fortified with proper descriptive terms and is cordial in his manner of showing callers through. Black & Grass were the designers and decorators, and the result proves that the firm is equal to any emergency in their line. There is an English tile floor in colors of seven shades, and the ceilings and walls are dreams of artistic work, original in design and strikingly beautiful in effects. The bar and fixtures, put up by the R. Rothchild Sons company, of Cincinnati, are like the decorations, the finest in the state. Mr. McGinty has good reason to be proud of the beauty of his new saloon. It is one of the beauty wonders of Decatur, and will not fail to become at once a popular resort.

The Noted Irish Comedian.

Thomas E. Hines will appear at the Grand Christmas afternoon and night in "The Hearts of New York," also Earl Remington and a strong company.

General Hunt in the City.

Attorney General Hunt is in the city to-day. His many Decatur friends are pleased to meet and greet him. General Hunt is prominently mentioned as a candidate for Governor by many prominent Republicans in the state; and it is due their good judgment to say that Mr. Hunt would make a first-class gubernatorial candidate before the people. He enjoys the distinction of having had a plurality above 24,000 votes as a candidate for Attorney General in 1888, while the candidate for Governor, on the same ticket, had but 12,500 plurality.

Superintendent Raab Sick.

The fact that Prof. Henry Raab, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, had a light stroke of paralysis several days ago, has just been made public. He went to Belleville last week to visit his son, intending to return to Springfield Tuesday, but is still at Belleville. The paralytic stroke was sustained Sunday last. Though mild, the stroke was of such a nature that its effects may prove serious.

The Mrs. Potts Lecture.

"Love Courtship and Marriage" was the enticing subject of Mrs. Dr. Potts' lecture at the Grand last night, open to all. There was a good sized audience present, despite the bad weather, and the good advice to young women and young men was heard with interest. The lecture to ladies only on "Maternity" is in progress this afternoon.

Amusements.

Katie Claxton and her company will produce "The Two Orphans" at the Grand Tuesday evening, Dec. 29.

Agnes Wallace Villa will appear in "The World Against Her" at the Grand Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th.

A Presentation.

The H. Mueller M'f'g Company have presented the 40 men employed at their works with a fine Christmas turkey each. To the unmarried men the equivalent was given in money.

Election in Ireland.

Special to the REPUBLICAN.]

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 24.—Redmon, Parnellite, defeated Michael Davitt, McCarthyite, in yesterday's Waterford election.

No Paper.

In compliance with the usual custom the REPUBLICAN will not be issued tomorrow, Christmas Day.

MARRIED.

This afternoon (Dec 24) at the Park Hotel, by Rev. H. A. Hoover, William Sunderland and Miss Alice Busick, of Bement.

By Rev. H. A. Hoover, Dec. 24, in Decatur, *Willis A. Hill and Miss Katie Atteberry, of* Mowaqua, Ill.

This afternoon, at the county clerk's office, by the Rev. H. A. Hoover, Barney G. Schroll and Mrs. Anna L. White, of Forsythe.

137 Pieces

of Haviland China in a Dinner Set seems a good many, but we have them including ½ *Tea* and 1 dozen Coffee Cups and Saucers, all for $35.00.

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.

BRUSSELS Carpet Sweepers, warranted the best in the market or no sale, at Linn & Scruggs D. G. and C. Co. dec21-d&wtf

PERSONAL MENTION.

Fillmore Garver is at Monticello.

Peter Loeb has returned from Aurora, Mo.

Miss Maime Lewis is home from Chicago.

J. M. Gray will spend his Xmas at Vandalia.

W. H. Elwood is confined with an attack of the grip.

George Mueller is in Jacksonville today on business.

Mrs. Joe Bixby is suffering with an attack of the grip.

Charles Sammers is in Lincoln visiting his grandparents.

Mrs. A. J. Wood is confined to her home with the grip.

Luther Roby is home from Champaign, to spend the holidays.

T. O. Coleman left this morning for Taylorville on business.

F. D. Garver will spend Xmas with relatives in Monticello.

D. A. Hoke, of Sullivan, is in the city visiting his brother, J. H. Hoke.

Miss Sallie Scruggs is spending her Christmas vacation in this city.

Charles T. Kellam will spend Xmas with relatives in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. E. J. Brown will spend Xmas with relatives at Island Grove, Ill.

Dr. W. B. Hostetler was called to Pierson to-day on professional business.

Kennedy Maxwell has gone to Chicago and Milwaukee to spend the holidays.

Mrs. W. A. Cochran left last night for Chicago, to visit friends and relatives.

Misses Bertha Randall and Gussie Gorin are home to spend the holidays.

Miss Anna Badenhausen, the register clerk at the Postoffice, is on the sick list.

Mrs. D. Barrackman and daughter are in Worthington, Ind., visiting relatives.

Will H. Quinlan, of Chicago, is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Quinlan.

Ed. U. Vallentine, of Taylorville, is in the city to-day visiting his friend A. F. Wilson.

S. M. Millikin, of Omaha, will spend the holidays in this city, the guest of relatives.

Miss Nettie Hall, of Chicago, is in the city visiting relatives and spending the holidays.

M. B. Pratt, of Lincoln, Neb., will arrive in Decatur to-morrow morning to spend Christmas.

Oscar Mueller, a student at the State University, Champaign, Ill., is home to spend the holidays.

Al Bower, who has been attending the Champaign University, is home to spend the Xmas vacation.

I. J. Davis and family arrived in the city to-day from Oak Park to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Miss Lillian Crea, who has been attending Vassar College, Poughkepsie, N. Y., arrived home to-day to spend the holidays.

Mrs. D. P. Elwood arrived in the city *last night to visit her daughter*, Mrs. A. J. Wood.

J. H. Culver, of the Culver Monument Works, left this morning for Taylorville on business.

U. S. Garrett arrived home yesterday from a business trip to Cincinnati and Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stevens, of St. *Louis, are the guests* of Col. and Mrs. D. H. Conklin.

Will Armstrong arrived home this morning from Boston, where he has been attending school.

Miss Emma Merkle, of Springfield, arrived in the city to-day to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hoke departed this morning for Chicago to visit relatives and spend the holidays.

Fred Baldwin has returned from an extended business trip in the interest of the Decatur Mat Company.

Misses Elizabeth and Louise Gastman, of Chicago, arrived in the city this afternoon to remain during the holidays.

Fireman H. E. Rosengrantz has returned from Ogallala, Neb., where he was called by the sickness of his father.

Harry C. Crowell, of Supt. Bresie's office, Pacific Express, left last night for Tecumseh, Mich., to visit his parents.

Mrs. Lizzie Caldwell, of Larned, Kan., arrived in the city to-day to visit Mrs. Docia Bishop at her home on South Main street.

Miss Louise Fell, of Jacksonville, arrived in the city this morning to visit H. A. Wood and family and other relatives.

Miss May Condell, who has been attending school at St. Louis, is in the city visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Condell.

Miss Minnie Murphey, *of Chicago*, arrived in the city to-day to spend the Xmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Murphey.

Miss Lou Bear, a teacher in the public schools at Rochelle, Ill., is home to spend the holidays, with her father, E. Bear, and other relatives.

Miss Ella Race has returned from New York City, where she went several months ago for the benefit of her health. She is much improved.

J. B. Nowlin, of Austin township, left this afternoon for Jacksonville, to spend Christmas with his friend, W. H. Rowe, who is seriously ill.

S. G. Hatch left yesterday afternoon for Holton, Kansas, to attend the funeral of his mother. The deceased was 92 years of age at the time of her demise.

Wm. A. Bentley, head of the advertising department of the Chicago Opera House, arrived in the city this morning to spend the Xmas holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Laura Ostheimer and children left to-day for St. Marie, Ill., to spend Christmas with the parents of Mr. O. Mrs. Ostheimer was also accompanied by her mother.

Miss Maria Buckingham will give a reception on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons of next week at her home on West William street at 2 o'clock p. m. to her lady friends.

Prof. J. H. Coonradt left last night for Rushville, N. Y., to bring back his wife, who has been visiting there and who was injured in a runaway. He will be absent several weeks.

E. Luther Stevens will arrive from the Chicago Medical College to spend the holidays with his parents and friends but will soon return for his graduating session at the College.

Frank Evans, of Indianapolis, will arrive in the city to night to spend Christmas with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. T. L. Evans. Frank is with the Tank Line Company at Indianapolis.

Miss Bertha Carver and Charles Schneider, of Springfield, arrived in the city this morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hildebrandt and to attend the card party to be given by Mrs. Hildebrandt *this evening at her home in Riverside* Place.

Peoria *Transcript;* It will be a source of relief for his many friends to learn that the Rev. N. S. Haynes pastor of the Christian church, is on the road to recovery. His disease reached a crisis yesterday in the suppuration of an internal abscess. This leaves him at the end of the road leading to health.

Judge E. P. Vail went to Urbana this morning to meet Judges Wright and Bookwalter to apportion the work of the circuit court in the district among themselves. Judge Vail is hopeful that in the division of the work he may have good fortune to get a vacation to indulge in his favorite sport, that of hunting, the coming spring.

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Faille Francaise,
Royal Armures,
Golden Rule Black Gros Grain Silks,
Suspenders,
Child's Silver-Plated Sets.
Portmonnaies.
Boston Bags.
Shopping Bags.
Silk Umbrellas.
Chenille Covers.
Baby Carriages Robes.
Baby's Kid Boots.
Infants' Long and Short Cloaks.
Linen Table Sets, Fancy Towels
Gloves and Corsets,
Table Scarfs, Silk Throws,
Box Papers, Inkstands,
Fancy Mounted Thermometers,
Head Rests,
Chiffon, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs,
Silk Mufflers.
Hosiery.
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Sales of Real Estate.

John L. Drake to J. H. Chamberlain, lot 3, in block 2, in A. E. Kenney's first addition to Decatur—$2,250.

B. H. Cassell to Thos. D. Smith, lot 12, in block 1, in B. H. Cassell's sixth addition to Decatur—$650.

Alonzo Dorsey to Teos. H. Bean, lot 4 in block 16, in Railroad addition to Macon—$250.

Amanda Jane Day to B. H. Cassell, a lot 40x187½ feet in block 2, in B. H. Cassell's Fifth addition to Decatur—$1,200.

Elijah T. Falk to Anna M. Falk, the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 34, 16, 2 east, in South Wheatland township, $10

Allen D. Ferris to Chas. E. Cave, lot 20, block 1, Durfee, Warren & Co.'s addition to Decatur, $1350.

Samuel Dwyer to Clara E. Cook, lot 7, in west half of section 33, 15, 2 east, in Macon township, $600.

T. O. Reeme to T. D. Hinshaw, south half of lot 2, block 1, Rolling Mill 2d addition to Decatur, $250.

T. D. Hinshaw to Christopher Clark, south half lot 2, block 1, Rolling Mill 2d addition to Decatur, $950.

Waller Pritchett to James D. Simpson, deed to west half lot 2, block 4, Niantic—$350.

Jackson Williams to Edward Reeser, deed to 50 acres in 17, 19, 4 east—$3,000.

W. H. Mills and I. R. Mills to Minor Brooks, deed to lot 11 and south half of lot 10, block 1, Riverside Place—$600.

W. R. Roberts to Elizabeth Collins, deed to lot 7, block 4, W. A. Barnes' subdivision—$1,000.

I. R. Mills et al to Robert R. McMillan, deed to lots 4 and 5, block 37, Railroad addition to Macon—$350

Theodore Nelson to John K. Busby, deed to lot 8, block 4, Montgomery & Shutts second addition—$275

Virginia Sampson to Charles Sampson, deed to lot 12, of William Birks' addition—$3800.

James Sherman to Lewis E. Dood, deed to 20 acres in 5, 17, 4 east- $400.

Christmas Prices.

Roses, red and pink, $3 a dozen.
Roses, white and cream, $1.75 a dozen.
Carnations, 50 and 75c. a dozen.
Chrysanthemums, 50c. a dozen.
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